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## SPORTS MEETING FINE SUCCESS

Enthusiasm ran high on Monday night at the winter sports meeting. The good sized attendance denotes that the plans are going to be put over right, provided the weather is reasonably seable.

Already work is going on at Division Hill at the Military reservation. The send-off platform is being constructed and also the take-off from the bank to the lake. The latter last season had a drop of about ten feet while this year it will be reduced to about three, thus making it much safer and possibly a trifle faster for the toboggan as it strikes the ice on the lake. Poles are being set for electric wiring and a place provided where hot coffee and lunches may be served.

Plans for the construction of the slides are being worked out by the committee and they seem to be on the right track to avoid any similar mistakes to those made last year.

Ice skating on the lake has already begun and some of our boys and girls are enjoying the sport. Later in the season the ice will be elevated over a large area so as to eliminate the heavy snows.

The finance committee stated that there was about \$400.00 in sight for us whenever it is required. Herb Gothro, chairman of the finance committee suggested that if anyone had any ideas for raising money for the project that they would be welcome, and hopes that someone may come forward with assistance.

All of Michigan is looking to Grayling this year for winter sports. They are expecting us to give them the things they want to provide entertainment in which they may personally participate rather than to be a spectator only. Hockey and professional ski jumping are great but we doubt if they can compare with a program that will give people a lot of tobogganing, snowshoeing, skating, skiing, fishing, etc. Those who go to the hills want to get into the games themselves and that is just what Grayling is planning to offer those who may come here for winter sports. We have the ideal weather conditions, and the ideal place for coasting and for doing the other winter stunts.

It is hoped that the present mild weather period will soon cease and that things will be so that the winter sports will be available during the holidays.

### WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

The sixth regular meeting for this year was held at the Club rooms Monday evening.

Miss Isa Granger read a splendid paper on the progress of mining in Michigan. Evidences have been found that attempts were made by some prehistoric race to take copper from the earth several hundred years before the discovery of America. Michigan stands first in the mining of iron.

A paper was read which had been prepared by Mrs. Frank Tetu on Michigan scenery and resorts and forests and streams. One-fifth of the total area of Michigan is water. We have in this state more than five thousand lakes, Houghton Lake being the largest inland lake. Other large lakes are Mullett, Burt, Otsego, Higgins and Onion. For many years Michigan was the leading lumber state in the union, but large inroads on its forests caused it in 1919 to drop to 14th place. Few of the streams are navigable though many of them furnish water power.

Health training in the public schools, the most effective prevention work in the struggle against tuberculosis, is made possible by the annual sale of Christmas seals.

### A STANDARD OF CONDUCT

The Supreme Court of the United States has defined a standard of conduct for motorists and others to follow for their own safety when crossing railway tracks. It is contained in the following extract from a recent decision of that court.

"When a man goes upon a railroad track he knows that he goes to a place where he will be killed if a train comes upon him before he is clear of the track. He knows that he must stop for the train, not the train stop for him. In such circumstances it seems to us that if a driver cannot be sure otherwise whether a train is dangerously near he must stop and get out of his vehicle, although obviously he will not often be required to do more than to stop and look. It seems to us that if he relies upon not hearing the train or any signal and takes no further precaution he does so at his own risk."

### AUTO OWNERS

There will be no extension on 1927 auto license plates after Dec. 31, 1927. Get your 1928 plates if you intend to drive on or after January 1st, 1928. J. E. Bobenmoyer, Sheriff 12-15-3

## WALTONIANS HEAR STATE PRESIDENT

### H. A. SAVAGE TELLS OF BENEFITS OF ORGANIZATION

Those who are interested in hunting, fishing and the conservation of our forests, lakes and streams should have been in attendance at the annual sportsmen's dinner at the Board of Trade rooms Wednesday night.

Besides having an enjoyable dinner several reels were shown depicting fishing scenes and big game hunting in the wilds of South Africa, that were very interesting.

It surely was a privilege to have in attendance H. A. Savage of Saginaw, president of the Michigan Division of the Izaak Walton League. Mr. Savage spends more than 75 per cent of his time in the work of the league and stated that no executive of the organization received one cent salary for his services.

Michigan has 5,000 members of the League and President Savage said that we need a membership of 15,000 and with such an organization we would be able to get regulatory laws upon our state books that are constructive and in accordance with the broad principles of the League. He sounded a note of warning that should make every lover of the big out doors want to get into the League and help to take the Conservation department out of politics.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL LIBRARY GROWING

The Primary Department of the Michelson Memorial Sunday School has recently purchased for their library eight new books, "Why the Chimes Rang" by Alden, the rest are of the Altenus' Series of picture books for the real little folks. Also twelve other books have been donated by friends of the Sunday school. Tom Brown's School Days, Treasure Island, Black Beauty, New Chronicles of Rebecca, Hans Brinker or the Silver Skates, That Printer of Uddell's, Campfire Girls in the Country, two Boy Scouts books and others.

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## OBJECT TO SHORTENING SEASON

### PROTEST AGAINST CONSERVATION DEPT. RULING

There has been some objections offered against the ruling of the State Department of Conservation that closes all lakes in the state against fishing before June 16th. Particularly is this true in regions where the hotels make a business of catering to fishermen. The property owners of Houghton lake are probably the hardest hit for it shortens the season there six weeks over the former regulations. The Roscommon Herald News sums the matter up in a clear, concise manner in their issue of last week, from which we quote as follows:

The Conservation Commission at its meeting in Lansing last Saturday threw a bombshell into the tourist and resort business of Northern Michigan when it issued an order closing all of the inland lakes of the state to fishing of any kind until June 16th, for a period of five years from the first day of next April. The order is published elsewhere in this issue.

The order is one of the most drastic that the commission has ever issued and has certainly caused a furor among the business people of this county who, like many more in the upper part of the state, depend next to entirely upon the tourist and resort business for a livelihood and the maintenance of our county. Fishing has been our long suit, the ace of attraction, and now comes the Department of Conservation with an order that virtually spells doom to many a business enterprise around our lakes in that the now too short resort season has been shortened up another six weeks. In their action the commission is sacrificing business and other outdoor recreation for the sake of saving a few fish. Perhaps in the southern part of the state action of this nature is necessary but in this or the upper part of the state we feel that it is uncalled for and highly unjust. The

The opening of the fishing season on May 1st has in the past meant the opening of the tourist and resort business in general and now to defer the opening fully six weeks means the loss of untold thousands of dollars in revenue from sources independent of fishing. With the closing of the fishing season until June 16 what inducement is offered to bring tourists to this part of the state? None. And everyone knows that thousands of people come north from this and other states to enjoy early season recreation just because the fishing season is open, yet they do not all fish.

True, fishing was poor in this part of the state during the past season but it was a condition rather than a lack of fish in the lakes, so related a representative of the department who was here late in the summer trying to determine why the fish were not biting.

The people of Roscommon county have no quarrel with those counties who feel that they are justified in asking a longer closed season as a means of conserving fish in their localities. However, we feel that our lakes are large enough to take care of themselves by conservation methods other than shortening the season. Our lakes are the play ground of the tourist and resorter and as such should be kept open for the public's use the longest possible time, both from a sportsmen's and business man's standpoint.

While there might be an occasion for an order of this kind covering bass fishing lakes, such as northern Michigan's, it should hardly apply, or be made to apply, to the hundreds of lakes in the northern part of the state, similar to Houghton, Higgins and St. Helen Lakes in this county, which are solely the habitat of the Great Northern pike, wall-eye and perch. Under the new regulation, the fishing season will open in this county when fishermen consider the pike and wall-eyes about through biting because of the oncoming flies and other insects.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars

have already been spent in the development of hotels, cottages, and other business enterprises around our lakes for the care, comfort and pleasure of tourists and these investments have meant the placing of no small amount upon the tax rolls of this county. If the resort and fishing season is to be cut in two, how then can the hotel keeper resort owner and cottage renter be expected to continue in business, pay taxes and make improvements? This seems to be a part of the conservation program that the Department has failed to consider. The conservation of a man's business is something else, eh?

A movement should be started at once, not only in this county, but throughout north Michigan, in effort to have the order modified.

### THE VERY LAST VIRGIN TIMBER IN MISSAUKEE COUNTY IS TO BE CUT INTO LUMBER

Lumbering on any considerable scale has been a thing of the past in Missaukee county for many years, but an operation of considerable size for these days, although it would have caused no comment thirty years ago, has begun near Stittsville.

Chas. F. Ruggles, a Manistee lumberman, said to be one of the wealthiest lumbermen in Michigan, has owned for many years eight forties in Norwich township, near Stittsville.

When the Michell Bros. Company

was cutting timber in that vicinity,

an attempt was made to purchase the Ruggles land, but some offense was given to the owner, and he refused to sell.

Since that time the name of Michell or even of Cadillac has

been objectional to him, and any man

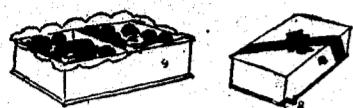
from that city that talked of buying

this timber was speedily turned down.

However, the timber has been dy-

ing and falling down rapidly in recent years, since the forest was cut away from around it. While the tree lover hates to think of this last specimen of the original forest being cut, he will agree upon examination, that it might as well be lumbered, since it will otherwise shortly be a total loss. This applies to all except two forties, north of Stittsville, along the county road near M74, which appears to be standing up fairly well, but the others look

up fairly well, but the others look</p

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Flies  
Golf Clubs  
Bags and Balls  
Hockey Sticks and Pucks  
Safety Razors

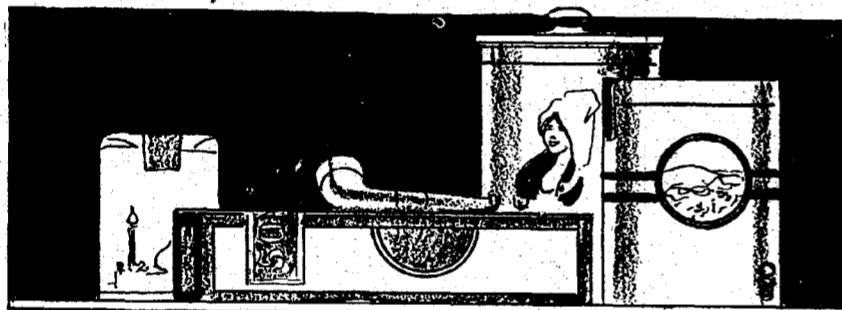
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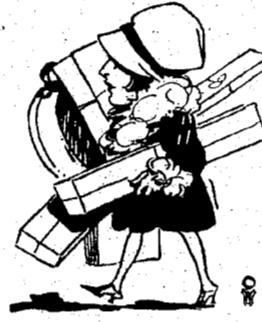
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1927

Gifts for all ages at the L. J. Kraus  
Hardware.

Sale at the Economy Store will  
continue until Dec. 24th.

T. E. Douglas, local Nash dealer  
has taken over the agency for Stewart  
trucks along with his Nash line.

Mrs. Tolfree, wife of John Tolfree,  
well known banker of West Branch  
passed away Monday at her home fol-  
lowing a stroke of paralysis. The  
Tolfrees are old residents of Ogemaw  
county.

There will be a Christmas dancing  
party Thursday evening, December  
22nd at Temple Theatre. Music by  
the International Five, better known  
as McNeven's orchestra. Everybody  
welcome.

The children up to 12 years old of  
St. Mary's parish will be guests of  
the Altar society at the American  
Legion hall next Tuesday evening at  
a Christmas party. There will be  
games and other entertainment.

Former patrons of the Finnish  
bath house, will be glad to know that  
it has been reopened for business at  
the home of Adam Hirdeline on the  
South Side. Mr. Hirdeline has had  
the bath house all repaired and re-  
modeled and installed some new fix-  
tures.

Don't forget Dr. Davis' health talk  
at the High school auditorium, Tues-  
day evening, Dec. 20th. Dr. Davis  
is director of hygiene, of the State  
Department of Health, Lansing. The  
lecture will start at 7:30 and is free  
and in the afternoon of December 20  
he will conduct a free examination at  
the school to as many children as  
time will permit.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Jarmin are  
enjoying a visit from the former's  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Jarmin of  
Bay City, who arrived yesterday and  
will be their guests for several days.

Mrs. Carl Englund and Mrs. Axel  
Peterson entertained the ladies of the  
Woman's Home Missionary society  
on Wednesday p. m. The topic for  
discussion, the early missionary ef-  
forts of the church, was ably pre-  
sented by Mrs. T. L. Peterson.

The ladies of the Bridge Club were  
guests of Mrs. C. R. Keyport Sat-  
urday afternoon at a very lovely lun-  
cheon. The long table was beautifully  
decorated with a silver basket filled  
with baby breaths. Mrs. Robert Rea-  
gan held the high score for bridge.  
Mrs. J. K. Hanson was a guest of  
the club.

William Leng has purchased the  
John Parsons store building at Fred-  
eric, the deal being closed last Sat-  
urday. Mr. Parsons has operated an  
up-to-date general store in Frederic  
for years, and enjoyed a fine trade.  
He is closing out his stock and Mr.  
Leng intends to turn the building into  
a garage.

At the regular meeting of the  
Women's Auxiliary at the American  
Legion hall Tuesday evening the an-  
nual election of officers took place,  
the following having been chosen to  
fill the various offices: President,  
Mrs. Wilfred Laurant; first vice  
president, Mrs. Neil Matthews; sec-  
ond vice president, Miss Anna Peter-  
son; secretary, Mrs. Emil Niederer;  
treasurer, Mrs. Harry Sorenson;  
chaplain, Mrs. Leo Jorgenson; ser-  
geant-at-arm, Mrs. Adolph Peterson.

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Following the business session, a de-  
licious pot luck lunch was served,  
this feature being in honor of Mrs.  
Laurant, who was presented with a  
beautiful wedding gift from the mem-  
bers of the Auxiliary.

Don't miss the Christmas dance at  
the Temple Theatre, beginning Decem-  
ber 21st.

Make Christmas really merry by  
buying Christmas gifts and spreading  
good health.

Save by paying your taxes before  
January 10th, as at that time the fee  
will be 4% instead of 1%.

Alfred Hanson, Township Clerk.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hermann of  
Lansing spent the week end here. Mr.  
Hermann returning Monday. Mr.  
Hermann will assist in the Post Office  
during the Xmas rush.

The local High school debating  
team met defeat at the hands of the  
Standish High school team at the lat-  
ter place last Friday evening. Grayling  
upheld the affirmative side of the  
question.

Edloe LaBrash has opened a  
ready-to-wear store in the building on  
U. S. 27 at the corner of Ogemaw  
and Cedar streets, where he is offer-  
ing some real bargains. Read his  
ad. on another page of this issue and  
see what he is offering.

The final rehearsal of the Christ-  
mas program to be given by the primary  
department of the Michelman  
Memorial Sunday school will take  
place Wednesday afternoon, December  
21st, after school instead of Monday  
as at first planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hendrie are in  
Maple Ridge owing to the death of  
the latter's mother. Mr. and Mrs.  
Charles Gotro and Mrs. L. J. Kraus  
motored to Maple Ridge to be in at-  
tendance at the funeral, that was to  
be held today.

With the approach of the holiday  
season comes the pleasure of making  
plans for the annual Charity ball,  
which this year will take place on  
Thursday evening, December 29th.  
Everything points to a very pretty  
party and for enjoyment this affair  
is always one of the most pleasant of  
the winter season. The tickets are  
\$1.50 per couple, which includes lunch.  
The orchestra—the Humbert-Whitney  
Red Stripes of Owosso are sure to  
please. Buy your tickets now.

St. Mary's Altar society gave a  
house warming for Mrs. Wilfred  
Laurant Saturday evening, leaving her  
kitchen well supplied with kitchen  
utensils of every description. The  
evening was enjoyed playing "500".  
Mrs. Charles Tromble and Mrs.  
Thomas Cassidy holding the high  
scores and Mrs. Marius Hanson re-  
ceiving consolations. A pot luck lunch  
served at late hour closed a very  
pleasant evening.

Fire starting from a defective chim-  
ney destroyed the rear part of the  
A. L. Foster house on Peninsular  
avenue Saturday evening. The build-  
ing at the time of the fire was occ-  
UPIED by the Hans L. Peterson family,  
and their loss was placed at  
between \$300 and \$400. The loss on  
the building was estimated at \$800,  
all of which was covered by insurance.  
The Peterson family are staying at  
the home of Clyde Peterson until they  
can find suitable quarters to move into.

A truck load of Christmas trees  
that looked as though it would reach  
across the street left Grayling this  
noon for Lansing, having been sched-  
uled to arrive in that city for de-  
livery tonight. R. E. Dean is the  
dealer and he has been in Grayling  
the past three weeks gathering trees  
for shipment. The truck that con-  
veyed the load was a Mason truck  
and to it was attached a 45 foot  
trailer. In the load were 563 trees,  
one 30 foot tree, 60 twelve foot trees,  
2 fourteen footers and 500 trees six  
to eight feet. Mr. Dean said that at  
three o'clock this morning he shipped  
a truck load of 200 trees to the same  
place.

Tonight the third annual Chevrolet  
banquet of this district, division  
No. 1 will be held at Shoppagons  
Inn. It is expected that Chevrolet  
dealers from Alpena, Lincoln, Tawas  
City, East Tawas, Standish, West  
Barry, Roscommon, Gaylord, Clare,  
Cadillac and Grayling will be present  
at the affair. This is known as the  
Turkey-Bean banquet, which is held  
each autumn in one of the cities of  
the district and those having the high-  
est sales of the year get the turkey  
and the losers get the beans, how-  
ever all will eat turkey tonight.

There will be some of the Chevrolet  
officials of the district present and  
no doubt it will be a very nice affair.  
This is put on by the Chevrolet  
people.

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY WAS A  
GREAT SUCCESS

The Junior play, "Headstrong Joan"  
which was given Friday night at the  
High school auditorium, was a great  
success. The play was largely at-  
tended both in the afternoon, when a  
matinee for the school children was  
held, and evening. The proceeds net-  
ted the Juniors \$50.

The scene of the play took place  
in a country village fifty miles from  
Boston, where Jim Day a prosperous  
merchant, resides with his aged moth-  
er. The part of Jim Day was taken  
by Elmer Fenton, the remainder of  
the cast was as follow:

Aura Vernon—A School teacher...Elan-  
len Gotro

Richard Randall—Jim Day's Foster  
son...Alva Stephan

Granny Day—Jim Day's aged moth-  
er...Dorothy May Honors

Rosie—One of Aura's pupils...Cor-  
rine Sheldon

Abie—A peddler...Theodore  
Wheeler

Ike—His son...Donald Kuivinen

Jack Day—Jim Day's son...Stanley  
Stephen

Joan Van Pelt—Sailing under false  
colors...Pauline Letz

Every member of the cast took  
their parts well. Abie, the peddler,  
which part was played by Theodore  
Wheeler, and his son Ike, played by  
Donald Kuivinen, kept the audience  
laughing. Miss Stinchcomb, class  
adviser, who directed the play, deserves  
much credit for the splendid success  
of it.

An Englishman says that British  
women are growing prettier all the  
time. This isn't true of the American  
girls. There isn't any room for im-  
provement.

**The Christmas Store  
Gifts for Everybody**

Toys of all kinds. A nice line of those that  
perform after being wound up.

Dolls, tables and chairs, doll buggies.

Wagons and tricycles.

Sleds and Skis. Something new—Hockey  
Sticks.

Our line of tree trimmings is most complete,  
in fact the nicest and largest line we have  
ever had.

Wrapping paper, tags, cards and cords to tie  
parcels with.

Fancy dishes and novelties for the ladies.  
Don't forget we have a full line of Christmas  
candy.

**E. E. BUGBY  
NOTION STORE****Now Enjoys Eating,  
Thanks His Wife**

"For years I suffered with stomach  
trouble. Then, my wife got me to  
take Adlerika. Today, I feel fine and  
eat what I like."—Wm. Opp.

Adlerika relieves stomach gas and  
bloating in TEN minutes. Acting on  
BOTH upper and lower bowel, it re-  
moves old waste matter you never  
thought was in your system. Let Ad-  
lerika give your stomach and bowels a  
REAL cleansing and see how much  
better you will feel. It will surprise  
you! Mac & Gidley, Druggists.

The number of automobiles is in-  
creasing by leaps and bounds and pe-  
destrians are surviving the same way.  
—Arkansas Gazette.

FOUND—A child's home knit mitten  
for the left hand. Owner call at  
Avalanche office for it.

FOR RENT—Light, housekeeping  
rooms, bedroom heated. Call at  
the Avalanche office.

It is estimated that there are 5,000  
illiterates in the United States,  
and, strange to say, not more than  
2,000,000 of them are writing popular  
songs.—Louisville Times.

DEC. 15  
10 Days  
to Christmas

Buy  
Christmas  
Seals

Invest in health.

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**Turkeys****Chickens and Meats****for Christmas**

Bring your Christmas dinner meats  
needs to us to supply. We can prom-  
ise you prompt service, choicest meats  
the market affords, and prices unusu-  
ally low.

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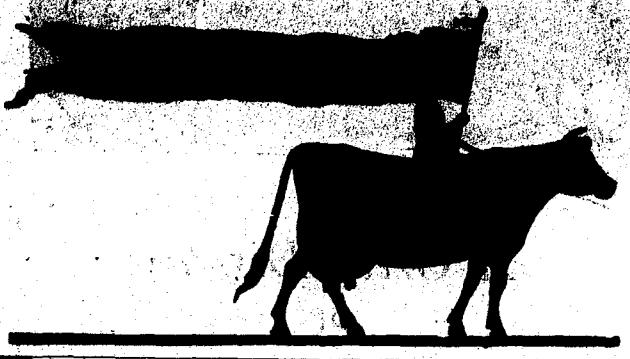
and we want the people to come in and try our baked goods.

**Specials**—Salt Rising Bread Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Danish Rolls Tuesdays and Fridays.

**Farm Bureau Notes**

R. D. Bailey, Co. Agricultural Agent



"Our civilization rests at bottom on the wholeness, the attractiveness, the completeness, as well as the prosperity of life in the country"

Theodore Roosevelt.

Good Sign, Good News.

To those who have wondered if there would ever come a time when it could be definitely said: "This is a bushel of No. 1 potatoes," "This is a ton of No. 1 hay," "This is a pound of No. 1 honey," "This is a dozen of standard eggs," etc., through the many commodities that we are obliged to buy, and think we are going to get a certain quality of goods, and find that we get an inferior quality, only to be told that it is a matter of difference of opinion between buyer and seller.

Days of Shyster and Cheat Numbered.

The days of the produce cheat, shyster and shortweight expert are drawing to a close. State inspectors are constantly traveling about the state, testing scales and measures.

The United States Department of Agriculture has for several years been working on the determination

of what shall be legal standards and grades for many commodities of common sale and purchase. After much investigation and many conferences it has been determined what shall be a pound of good butter, cheese, cotton, tobacco, poultry, etc. through a long list.

This effort of the U. S. Department of Agriculture has enabled buyer and seller, in all parts of the United States, to speak a common language as it were. Now, when we speak of a bushel of U. S. No. 1 potatoes, for instance, it means definite things that are specifically mentioned in the regulations. When a car of hay is sold as U. S. No. 1, thereby, there are definite characteristics that that hay must possess, or the seller is liable for fraud.

## Circular No. 8

Write to Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. and ask for Circular No. 8, "National Standards for Farm Products," and you will receive a 50-page pamphlet on the subject. Or, better, write your representative in Congress addressing him

as: "Hon. Roy O. Woodruff, Washington, D. C., House of Representatives," and ask for the above circular. He can help you get many other aids.

**Pork and Tater Ranch.**  
Michigan Farmers. Recently passed laws, it is thought, would send five cents each, to cover the cost of mailing to Marvin Cole, Dept. M., "Michigan Farmer," Detroit, Michigan, they would send a bulletin on "How to Preserve Meats," and Tested Recipes for Michigan serve potatoes in more than fifty ways.

## Swine Bulletin Getting Good

I have had to send to the college again and again for new supplies of the short, helpful bulletin on: "Swine Feeding," as no many of our farmers ask for copies.

This bulletin of only 12 pages certainly contains a lot of ideas on successful swine feeding. It shows just the right ration to use for pigs 30 to 50 pounds in weight; for those from 50 to 100 pounds; for pot-bellied hogs 100 to 150 pounds; for hogs 150 to 225 pounds; rations for sows with nursing pigs; rations for mature sows.

The author states that there is nothing gained by slow feeding and growing, but that it is a more expensive way; that a hog should gain 1/2 pounds a day; that a supply of minerals should be kept before swine at all times.

One mineral mixture is made up in the proportion of wood ashes, 10 pounds; acid phosphate, 10 pounds; salt, 1 pound. The county agent can tell you where to get the acid phosphate.

You may have a copy of this bulletin if you want.

## Home-Made Lime Sower

The Department of Farm Mechanics at our Agricultural College worked out plans for a home-made lime sower, several years ago.

The department has steadily improved these plans, and allows anyone who wishes to copy the pattern, and to make their own lime sower.

I secured a few copies of the bulletin that shows the dimensions of the sower and just how to make one.

It hooks onto the rear end of the wagon box, does not injure box nor wagon, and can be made this winter by any handy farmer who would like to save the \$45 to \$50 that factory-made spreaders cost.

## Crawford County Farm Names

Already some of our neighbors have selected farm names. We print this list as a starter, not claiming that it is absolutely without omissions. We hope to hear soon from those whose names are omitted. We think it is altogether too modest for a farmer to say, when asked to name the farm: "I'll name it when I get things looking better." Name the farm and live up to the name.

Cosmopolitan Farm—E. J. Richards.

Westgate Farm—Richard Babbitt.

Bonnie Brae—H. A. McMillan.

Edgewater-on-AuSable—Mrs. John G. Stephan, Sr.

Woodlawn Farm—Wm. A. Dixon.

Oak Grove Farm—Charles Corwin.

Edgewood Farm—A. J. Nelson.

Oak Ridge Farm—Elmer Ostrander.

Wash-ka-da—Dan Babbitt.

Birchwood—R. A. Stevens.

Killarney Farm—Myrtle J. Wright.

Longview Farm—John Floeter.

Willow Valley Farm—Wm. Floeter.

South Branch Ranch—Harry Souder.

Level Acres—O. B. Scott.

County Line Farm—John McGillis.

Maple Grove Farm—George Annis.

Beechwood Farm—Andrew Mortonson.

Pine Crest Farm—John R. Skingsley.

Pleasant Valley Farm—Mrs. John Love and Wm. Love.

Maple Isle Farm—H. J. Heidemann.

The Evergreens—Hugo Schreiber, Jr.

Beaver Brook Farm—George Wolf.

Pinehurst Farm—L. B. Merrill.

Wildwood Farm—Alfred Nephew.

Evergreen Farm—Joe Duby.

Pine Grove Farm—Mrs. Jease Diffell.

Wayside Garden Farm—Theodore Leslie.

Go to Your Printer

Go to your printer and arrange for the printing of at least 200 sheets of good paper with 100 envelopes with the farm name on each in small, tasty type.

## Christmas Present

Make the farm a Christmas present of a good name. Make the husband or wife a Christmas present of an outfit of good stationery bearing the farm name.

The County agent is willing to assist in the selection of good names for farms.

## Why Name the Farm?

Why name the farm? What good will it do? We might answer this question by asking another: Since we name our horses and our cows, why not name our homes? Our homes, and especially our farm homes which seem almost a sacred spot, screened from a sometimes all-too-curious world, become to us more than merely so many acres. They seem almost a part of ourselves, especially if we, or our fathers, have lived long upon the same spot. Or, it may be that a young couple is establishing a new home. As they plan and plan, and pay, unconsciously but surely working into the place their own personalities, it is natural and well that they should come to want to give it a name, that it may mean still more to them, and, as the years go by, to theirs.

There are many reasons why the farm should have a name. The farm name, promotes pride, appeals to the sentiment, lends dignity, fosters individuality, is valuable as a means of identification, and is a real business asset.

It is surprising how rapidly and how generally farm names become known. The public is quick to familiarize itself with these names, especially if the owner puts on the barn or front fence, or over the front gate a neat sign bearing the farm name, as we see a few in our county.

"Elm View Farm," on the arch over the front gate on the Wm. G. Feldhauser farm certainly appeals to the eye.

Somewhere, on every box, basket, crate, package, can of milk or cream, package of butter or cottage cheese, should be stamped, stenciled or printed the farm name. If, for instance, a farmer is working to build up a trade in country hams, somewhere on

## Works Hard, Dances, Gains 3 Lbs a Week

"I work hard, dance and have gained 3 pounds a week since taking Vinol. My nervousness is almost all gone."—Mrs. F. Lang.

Vinol is a delicious compound of cod liver peptone, iron, etc. Nervous, easily tired, anemic people are surprised how Vinol gives new pep, sound sleep and a BIG appetite. The very first bottle often adds several pounds weight to thin children or adults. Tastes delicious. Mac & Gidley, Druggists.

Of course no candidate wants to be drafted for office. Why not soften it a little by using the word conscription?

## NEW PICK UP



He—My new car has a wonderful pick up.

She—Yeh! I saw you with a strange girl today.

## SAD CASE OF LOVE



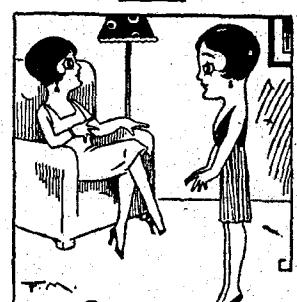
Sister—Do you love me more than anyone else, Bobbie?

Bobbie—Sure.

Sister—Then go out when Tom calls tonight.

Bobbie—Then you don't love me as much as I love you.

## CHANGED HER MIND



Miss Gassaway (highly informed and talkative)—As I have tried to convince you before, Mrs. Blank, man never descended from a dumb animal.

Mrs. Blank—I used to think he did, Miss Gassaway, but I've changed my belief since I met you.

## NOT LIKELY NOTICED



Reggie—By Jove, I simply laughed my head off.

Miss Sharpe—Well, don't say anything about it and nobody will suspect you've had such an accident, Mr. Sapp.

## SOFT JOB



"What does he do?"  
"He's employed as traveling companion to Reggie Capp."

"Soft job."

## DOUBTING HIS JUDGMENT



Sir—Remember, my son, in all your feelings honesty is the best policy.

Son—But, dad, have you tried it enough to be sure?

## ONLY TRUE HAPPINESS

Conscious virtue is the only solid foundation of all happiness; for riches, power, rank or whatever, in the common acceptance of the word, is supposed to constitute happiness, will never, quiet, much less cure, the inward pangs of guilt.—Lord Chesterfield.

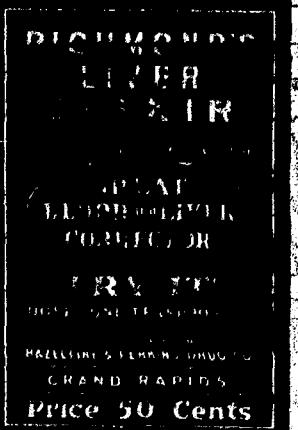
Amount necessary to redeem, \$31.96 plus the fees of the Sheriff.

Enoch W. Turner, Place of business, Roscommon, Michigan.

To Charles Reed, last grantee in the regular chain title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records of the office of the Register of Deeds of said County.

James T. Utter, holder of tax deed interest, and Walmer Jorgenson, grantee under the tax deed issued by the Auditor General for the latest year's taxes appearing of record in said registry of deeds.

12-8-4



## For Sale by MAC &amp; GIDLEY

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Grayling in said County, on the 5th day of December A. D. 1927.

Present: Hon. George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Peter Jensen, deceased.

Anine Sorenson Administratrix having filed in said court her final and annual account as such Administratrix of said estate, and her petition praying for the allowance thereof.

It is ordered, that on Tuesday the third day of January A. D. 1928, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account.

It is further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

GEORGE SORENSEN, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.

GEORGE SORENSEN, Judge of Probate.

12-8-3

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED:

Take notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the County in which the land lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase together with one hundred per centum additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost or charges.

If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of Land:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,

County of Crawford,

The south half of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 34, town 25N, range 3W. Amount paid: \$2125 tax for year 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921.

Paid as condition of purchase: \$3.36 tax for year 1922.

Paid as condition of purchase: \$8.04 tax for year 1924.

Paid as condition of purchase: \$2.43 tax for year 1925.

Paid as condition of purchase: \$2.93 tax for year 1926.

Amount necessary to redeem: \$38.01 plus the fees of the Sheriff, Olaf Oren. Place of business, Roscommon, Michigan.

To Frank Ellicot, last grantee in the regular chain title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County.

Troy Land Company, last grantee under State Homestead tax deed, appearing of record in said registry of deeds.

Lyman Dewey, mortgagee named in all undischarged recorded mortgages.

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**Sheaffer Lifetime Pens, Pencils and Desk Sets**  
Kodaks and Cine Kodaks  
Victrolas and Victor Records  
Fine Toilet Goods and everything a good Drug Store should have.



Only 9 Days Till Christmas

## Central Drug Store Candy Headquarters

Phone No. 1.

CRAWFORD AVALANCHE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1927



SUBSCRIPTION RATES  
One Year \$2.00  
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Outside of Crawford County and Roscommon per year \$2.50

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1927

Editorial By  
M. H. DeFoe, in the Charlotte Republican.

It would be interesting some time to see Mr. Average Citizen as concerned about his every day religion as he pretends to be when it becomes necessary to send for a minister to conduct a funeral in his household. Too many households never think of preachers and religion except in emergency cases. They treat the whole problem like they do the fire department except in the case of the church they seldom pay a dime towards its support. But they want both of them subject to call. Most people had a big dinner Thanksgiving day; took a nap and never gave a thought to the things they should be thankful for. We doubt if a hundred people of this city of 1500 homes attended the union services of the churches called to make some gesture of Thanksgiving to the Divine Ruler of the Universe. Or put it this way. If some one in your household should die tonight what minister would you call? Then sit down and figure out how much you give to support this institution that you would call upon to serve you spiritually? Most of us would be ashamed to give out the figures. Look up your last summer's tax receipt and see what you paid toward the maintenance of the fire department. Then some time early in 1928 mail the church toward which you would be inclined if you needed a preacher between tomorrow and Sunday, a check for exactly this fire department item. It won't be much but it will be enough to justify your calling on the preacher of that particular church when you need him. You want this local spiritual protection than at least support it to the same financial extent you pay to maintain the fire department. Both plants, the fire house and the church have to do with your peace of mind. One is just as essential as the other. Are you paying your just share of the benefits? Resolutions will soon be in order. Make one and anything you decide to do along this line will add to your own self respect, which action is always to be desired.

### EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS

Who remembers the good old days when you could tell a Republican from a Democrat by the way they talked about the tariff?

Senator Dill says the thing for the Democrats to do is to nominate a candidate for President who will be strong enough to carry a Democratic Congress and Senate into power with him. Well, every Democratic county chairman knows that much.

It is said that Russia and Poland are getting ready to fight over Lithuania. We don't know how it will come out but we can make one safe prediction—either way it won't do Lithuania much good.

Democratic women don't like the donkey as a symbol and are advocating the adoption of the eagle. Why not use the automobile? Both the



## Santa Off Duty

donkey and the eagle seem to be traveling toward extinction.

Pittsburgh scientists exhibited the picture "The Gorilla" to an audience of monkeys and were disappointed because the monkeys did not get excited. Why so? The audience could see all the monkeys it wanted to at home.

A runaway taxicab created a lot of excitement in Broadway the other evening. But a taximeter running away is quite a common sight.

There is something about the alliance of Italy and Albania that seems to remind us of the cat and the canary.

There is one thing to be said in favor of the Eighteenth Amendment. Everybody knows it is there.

There are said to be 32,000 bars in Paris. Wonder where they got all the brass railings?

An Englishman has invented a boat that cannot be capsized. Here will be a nice Christmas present for the fellow who likes to rock 'em.

Most of the fellows who are advocating a reduction of the tariff to aid the farmers don't want to help the farmers nearly so much as they do the importers.

Remember the good old Puritan days when the fellow who played perry ante and smoked cigarettes was regarded as something of a devil?

The season of the year is approaching when the internationalists will begin to suggest that Uncle Sam ought to be playing Santa Claus to the rest of the world.

Old Man Noah would have had less trouble recovering from his flood if he had had Secretary Hoover with him.

If the Mexican government is not affiliated with the Russian Soviet it has at least been able to secure the unqualified support of the reds and pinks in the United States.

New York City now has five cent movies once more—on the lower East Side. If Governor Smith puts a five cent movie plank in his platform he's going to be hard to head off.

Just because a skull found in Arizona is a half-inch thick, scientists believe it is thousands of years of age. Not necessarily.—Atlanta Constitution.

Whatever work he takes up in the future, President Coolidge will have little trouble getting a recommendation from his previous employer—Toledo Blade.

## School Notes

Editors: Marius Hanson, Isabrand Harder, Ellen Speck.

Our Debating team went to Stanish Friday to uphold the affirmative. Although Stanish won unanimously, the judges admitted that the subject of debate gave the negative team an advantage and that it was a close vote.

A representative of the Curtis Publishing Co., has again visited us with their plan of raising money for our athletic association. For each subscription to any one of their publications that we secure, our Athletic association gets fifty cents. The high school was divided into two teams, the "Reds" and the "Greens", for a contest to secure subscriptions. The contest ended Monday with the "Greens" in the lead.

The Junior play "Headstrong Joan" which was given Friday night was a great success. The action was fine and each one knew his part well. The class cleared about fifty dollars.

Landlady—"I think you had better board elsewhere."

Boarder—"Yes, I often had."

Landlady—"Often had what?"

Boarder—"Had better board elsewhere."

Charles—"Say Fenton, have you heard about Kenneth?" He went to Chicago and went into the jewelry business and made forty thousand dollars in six months.

Elmer—"I don't believe that."

Charles—"Here comes Ishbrand, ask him if that isn't so."

Elmer—"Charles was just telling me that Kenneth went to Chicago and made forty thousand in the

jewelry business in six months. Is that right?"

Ishbrand—"Well, it's all right but the details."

Charles—"What do you mean, the details?"

Ishbrand—"Just this. In the first place it wasn't Kenneth it was Kendall and he didn't go to Chicago, he went to Cheboygan. And it wasn't the jewelry business, it was the real estate business and it wasn't six months, it was six weeks and he didn't make forty thousand dollars, he lost it."

Kiehl W—"I slept like a log last night."

Mutt—"Yes, like a log with a saw going through it."

The pessimist reminds us that the lily belongs to the onion family, while the optimist reminds us that the onion belongs to the lily family.

## Frederic School Notes

Editor—Mary Bender  
Assistant—Doris Corsart.

As a Man Thinketh  
"If you think you are beaten, you are."

If you think you dare not, you don't!

If you'd like to win but think you can't!

It's almost certain you won't!

If you think you'll lose, you've lost!

For out in the world we find Success begins with a fellow's will.

It's all in the state of mind.

Life's battles don't always go to the strongest or fastest man!

But soon or late the man who wins is the one who thinks he can."

We are all busy getting ready for semester "exams". The Physics class has been reviewing all of the work from the beginning of the book. They made a special study of music last week.

The teachers have the "holiday" spirit and are making arrangements for a Christmas program to be given December 23rd. Everyone is given a cordial invitation to attend.

A representative from Ferris Institute, Big Rapids, gave an interesting talk to the Senior class Wednesday morning.

Mr. Payne—"The only difference between my music and that of the 'Pied Piper of Hamlin' is that his brought the people to him and mine drives them all away."

Wanted—Someone to help Mr. Hall and Ralph keep the place in their Economy books. Also—Rocking chairs for the class room so Keith will have more conveniences.

Mr. Payne—"What is a meteor?" Ethel Wixson—"It's some kind of a bird."

Our book of "Club Songs" came Monday. They are just the thing to liven up our meetings.

Mr. Payne (in Physics Class)—"Ralph tell me what you can about beets."

Ralph—"There are two kinds,

sugar beets and dead beets."

We regret that we have no Intermediate notes this week, owing to the illness of the teacher, Mrs. O'Dell. We hope to have her with us after Christmas.

Primary Notes

Our notes will be very few this week as we are putting a lot of time on our Christmas program.

Alfred Wilcox was a visitor Tuesday afternoon.

We drew names to exchange Christmas gifts.

We regret that Grace Harmer can not be with us now. She was a faithful little worker and we miss her in all Third Grade work.

Quite a few came to school Tuesday with wet feet owing to the change in the weather.

Esther Barber, teacher.



## A Great Display OF Gift Items

Our display of Jewelry Gift Items is the most complete we have ever offered for your approval. From gifts of little cost to the ones that cost considerable, our present stock is ample in selection to satisfy the most discriminating shopper.

## Peterson's JEWELRY AND GIFT SHOP

Every Day Is a Gift Day

## OPPORTUNITY COLUMN

FOR SALE—Two cows. Inquire of C. Forbush, Frederic. 12-12-1-pd.

FOR SALE—Kalamazoo hard coal Burner and a Commode. Ben Lansburg. Inquire at home of Bert Detrain. 12-15-3

FOR SALE—One-horse sleigh in good condition. Andrew Jenson, or inquire at Avalanche office. 12-8-3

FOUND—Luggage carrier on Kalkaska road Dec. 7. Call for same at this office.

FOR SALE—ONE HEATING STOVE in perfect condition, and one kitchen range. Inquire of Mrs. Frank L. Beckman.

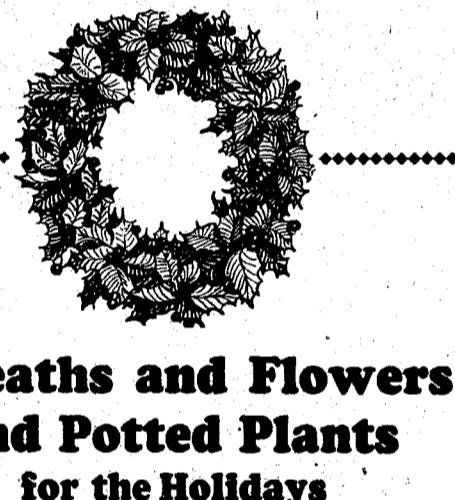
HOUSEWORK WANTED—Will do any kind of housework or cleaning. Mrs. Minnie Davis, Norway St., second house from Burke's Garage. 12-8-1-pd.

FOUR GASOLINE ENGINES FOR Sale—1½, 2¼, 7 and 22 horse power, respectively. All engines in first class condition. Bargains if sold at once. Wm. Mosher.

WORK WANTED—Housework wanted by Mrs. Wm. Brado.

FOR RENT—House and garage, electric lights. Inquire of Adier Jorgenson.

FURNITURE REPAIRING AND UPOLSTERING, and general repairing in all lines of wood or metal work, chair caning and electrical repairing. J. G. Leverton, Duclos house, Norway street.



## Wreaths and Flowers and Potted Plants for the Holidays

Put up plenty of flowers and wreaths about your home for Christmas. They tell a message of Christmas goodwill that can be told in no other way, half so splendidly.

Place your orders early.

## Grayling Greenhouses

Phone 444

## Special Dinner CHRISTMAS

On Christmas we will serve the following home cooked dinner for \$1.25.

### Turkey Dinner with trimmings

Dinner Served from 11:30 to 1:30

Bring the family and your friend. It is more economical than eating at home—and lots less work.

## Shopenagons Inn

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## **Gift Boxes of Fine Stationery**

Gift boxes of fine stationery should find their way into every gift list.

So practical and so beautifully prepared are these boxes that you will find many you like for GIFTS.

**MAC & GIDLEY**

The Rexall Store

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### **LOCAL NEWS**

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1927

Mt. and Mrs. Dell Wait motored to Detroit Thursday to spend a few days with relatives and friends.

Where do your \$'s go the farthest? Why, at the Economy Store of course.

I am collecting taxes at my office in my service station every day from 8:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m.

Alfred Hanson, Twp. Treas.

The regular meeting of St. Mary's Altar society will be held at American Legion hall next Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 20. In the evening the ladies will entertain the children of the parish up to 12 years old at a Christmas party.

Those that attended the dancing party at the Board of Trade Club last Thursday evening had the pleasure of dancing to music rendered by Grayling's new dance orchestra, "The Alumni," composed mostly of graduates of Grayling High school. This organization from all reports, is a peppy band and promises us good entertainment at our local dancing parties in the future.

Word has been received by friends of the marriage of Miss Estella Archambault of Detroit to Dick Ichorn of Bay City, which took place at Bay City some time last week. Mrs. Ichorn is well known to Grayling residents having at one time attended the nurse's training school at Mercy Hospital. The young couple expect to make their home in Bay City where Mr. Ichorn is employed for the Hiss Jewelry Company.

Try our Hot Chocolate with wafers and whipped cream. You will like it Central Drug Store.

Mrs. P. P. Mahoney and sons Tommy and Robert returned to their home in Bay City Friday after a few days visit with friends here. She was accompanied home by Mrs. Ambrose McClain who will visit a few days at the P. P. Mahoney home.

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Mrs. John Benson is at her post at the Variety Store after being confined to her home the past week with tonsilitis.

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The Christmas program of the Michelson Memorial church will be held on Thursday evening, Dec. 22nd at 7:30 p. m.

Mrs. Alonzo Collens left for Detroit the last of the week where she will enter Ford hospital for an operation and treatment.

M. A. Bates, Roy Milnes, Supt. E. E. Smith and Coach Levers Cushman, motored to Saginaw and Ann Arbor Friday on business.

Mrs. George N. Olson and Mrs. E. G. Clark returned from Detroit Monday after spending a few days in Saginaw and Detroit.

Mrs. and Mrs. E. G. Clark and daughter Kathryn Price, visited at the George N. Olson home for a couple of days this week.

Miss Margaret Nelson returned from Grand Rapids where she had been spending the past week with her sister, Miss Anna Nelson.

Miss Geneva and John Flynn of Rose City, sister and brother of Mrs. Menno Corwin, and Miss Mildred Albertson, spent the weekend visiting at the Menno Corwin home.

Miss Lucinda Collens left for Detroit Saturday to attend the funeral of her cousin Ezra Haines. Mr. Haines was former resident of both Frederic and Grayling for years and was well known to many here.

Frederic has an independent basketball team this season, which is under the management of "Pete" Johnson. They played their first game Tuesday night defeating Vanderbilt. Johnson is a veteran player, and worked several years with the Grayling Independents and is a clever, fast player, and should give Frederic a team that will be hard to beat.

A visit to the Model Bakery found its new owner, A. R. Craig busy turning out huge batch of bread. The hot loaves were coming from the ovens beautifully browned. Mr. Craig is proving himself to be a real baker and says he has worked at it all his life. He is putting a real improvement in the quality of his loaves and his pies and cakes are winning instant favor. He believes that Grayling will give him a good business provided he turns out the kind of baked goods the people want, and that is just what he intends to do. Whenever we buy bread at the stores let's ask for Grayling bread (with the Blue Bird Wrappers). And they are putting out much better pies than formerly and also real quality cakes. He will have salt rising bread on sale on Tuesdays and Fridays. Those of us who like that kind will be pleased to be able to get it here. On Wednesdays and Saturdays they will have Danish rolls. Let's show the new owner that the people appreciate good service.

Take your prescriptions to Central Drug Store.

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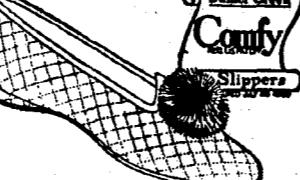
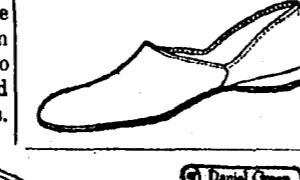
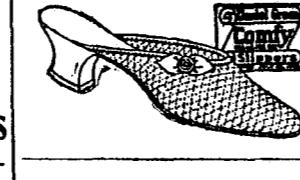
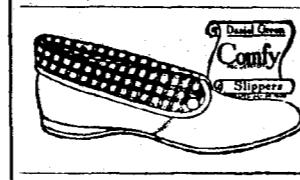
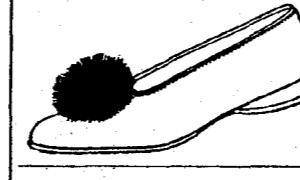
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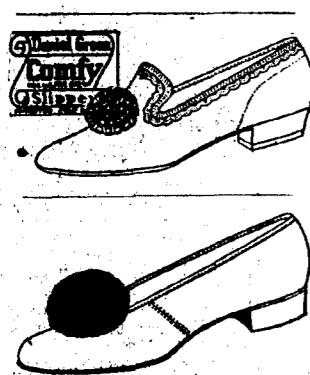
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We have the most complete stock of House Slippers in the city, at all prices. Also fancy Hosiery for men and women in fancy Xmas boxes.

Children appreciate a nice pair of Zippers, Wool Stockings or Mittens. Come in and look them over.



Olson's Shoe Store

Sale still on at the Economy Store.

Bargains in all lines.

Couch Liverie Outshoe is ill at Mercy hospital with tonsillitis.

Earl Hewitt was in Bay City the first of the week on business.

Be at the dance Saturday nite at the Temple Theatre. Alumni Orchestra.

Miss Helga Jorgenson, a patient at Mercy hospital, is reported as getting along as well as can be expected.

Maurice Gorman who has been ill at his home for the past week, was taken to Mercy Hospital Tuesday for examination and treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Graham returned from Detroit Tuesday where they have been visiting for the past few weeks with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Clarence Brown left for Bay City Tuesday where she will visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woodruff for a few days.

Mrs. H. A. Pond left for Ann Arbor Monday night accompanying Mrs. Edith Cardinell to the University hospital where she will receive treatment.

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(Additional local news on last page)

Shop early. It pays.

Mrs. Esbern Hanson is spending a few days in Detroit.

New Victor Records every Friday at Central Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gillett were in Gaylord on business Monday.

See the house slippers for father, mother and kiddies at the Economy Store from 49c to 98c.

Mr. W. W. Lewis, local freight agent, spent the week end at his home in Lansing.

Added attractions during intermission at the dance Saturday nite at Temple Theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis of Iron River visited for a few hours with Miss Norma Burdett Friday.

Mrs. John Zeder returned from Bay City Wednesday where she was visiting for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Feldhausen from the Ward Ranch at Frederic were Grayling callers Saturday.

Harry Reynolds left for Flint Sunday where he will be employed by Fisher Body Works at that place.

Gordon Pond visited his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Pond, in Bay City from Saturday until Wednesday.

Russell Peterson, son of Mrs. John Benson, entered Mercy Hospital Monday for examination and treatment.

Peter Davidson returned from Bay City Tuesday after spending a few days visiting his family who reside there.

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**\$1.00 Box.**

**Boxed Sets for Men, consisting of**

**Handkerchiefs and garters**

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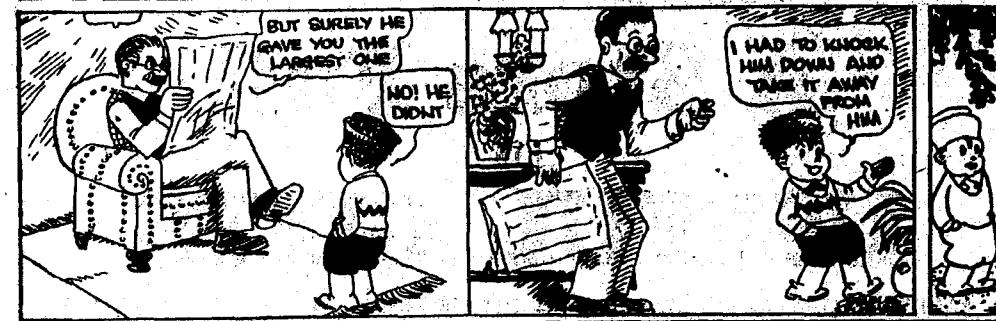
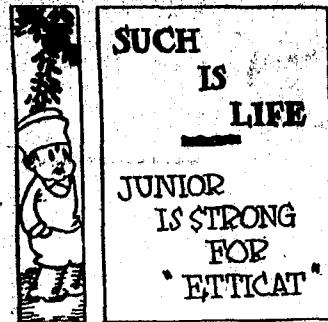
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## Interesting Events In Grayling 25 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 25 YEARS AGO.

Thursday, Dec. 11, 1902.

N. P. Olson made one of his flying trips to Saginaw last week.

Miss Emma Hanson spent last Friday with friends in Gaylord.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Phelps returned from their eastern trip last Friday morning.

Miss Bertha Smith, the trimmer, will leave for her home in Ridge-ton, Ont., about the 17th inst.

Mrs. D. M. Kneeland of Lewiston was the guest of Mrs. Woodworth and other friends here a few days last week.

Miss Anna Olson has returned home from her extended visit with relatives in Denver, Colo., and reports a most enjoyable time.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Baumann, Nov. 29th, a daughter.

A Brink mourns the loss of a fine yearling, he got into the feed bin and made a glutton of himself and then a ghost.

Mrs. H. Pond returned from a very pleasant visit in Detroit, last Saturday. While she was gone the children were happy with Grandma Bates at the farm.

The hunting season closed with an unusual storm and an excellent tracking snow, not soon enough, however, to help the trying hunters—most of them had pulled stakes before it came and went home deerless.

Rev. C. W. West, of Beaver Creek, lost four heads of fine stock last week, by the Paris Green route. They broke into the garden where a pail of the poison had been left.

At the regular business meeting of Y. P. S. C. E., the following officers were elected: President, Cora Wright; vice-president, Edna Wainwright; secretary, Hattie Blanshan; treasurer, Mary Miller.

The exhibits of fruit, grain and vegetables at the farmer's institute, last week, did not look as though the county was a barren waste. Fred Hoelsl had a sample of his creamery butter in a fiber package, which was highly commended.

A sentimental editor out in Kansas asks: "Are there any sweater words in the English language than these: 'I love you?'" Perhaps not; but the words: "Here is that dollar I owe you for subscription," are not lacking in delightful evocation to the ear of a newspaper man.

W. S. Chalker and family desire to publicly thank their neighbors for their kind attention and help, following the sad accident, resulting in the death of her brother, and especially to John Edmunds and his hired man, who remained with them during the night and rendered every assistance possible.

### Frederic Items

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tention should be given to the securing of water works, as we have no fire protection at present. Gentlemen, begin with what is needed most first.

There are a number who subscribed to the church building fund, who have not contributed in full. Rev. Willits would be glad to give you a receipt.

The Lady Macabees will give a dance and oyster supper, Christmas Eve, at the town hall, after the Christmas tree, if a tree is had.

Quite a number of our residents are on the sick list.

Mrs. Ida Sheldon is in Bay City for medical treatment, and is reported much improved.

### WORD FROM HOME

If you have been away from home for any length of time you know how unacceptable is a word from home. Can you imagine a more acceptable present for that absent relative or friend than the Avalanche, coming into his presence 52 times during the year, carrying to him all the news of the old home town?

And all that present cost one is \$2.50 for all this pleasure to the absent one.

Seven big distillers are going into a bourbon merger. Does this mean they are going to water their stock?

### A LITTLE TALK ON THRIFT

(By S. W. Straus, President American Society for Thrift.)

At this time of year considerable attention is being given to charitable activities as well as to various thrift and welfare plans promulgated by business organizations to assist their employees. Every winter finds many who are worthy objects of charity.

Reverses come to all and those who are not prepared to withstand them must be helped by others. But where there is no actual need of assistance it is no kindness to anyone to make him an object of charity.

The finest service that any man or any business can render others is to help them help themselves. And it may be added with equal truth that in helping others we always help ourselves. Good deeds worthily bestowed are never lost in their effects upon the donee.

It is an indication of progress and broader viewpoints that business is learning these truths more and more. The time is within the memory of many of us when the watchword both of employer and employee to a considerable extent was—"get all you can from the other fellow." Today, notwithstanding occasional disturbances, a more liberal attitude exists on both sides. Employers have found that liberal and considerate treatment brings its rewards in better service, higher morale and greater loyalty. Employees find that there are always just rewards for those who are willing to do their work with whole heart and hand.

We believe these conditions will continue more and more. We are far from social and economic idealism but through a broad application of the principles of thrift, we are working constantly in that direction.

Nothing an employer can do for his workers is of greater value to his own interests than to assist them in personal thrift. Nothing that the employee can do will more quickly develop efficiency and earn promotion than habits of thrift with all their stabilizing influences.

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### CHRISTMAS SEALS FIGHT T. B.

Residents of the state of Michigan paid on an average of five cents each in 1926 to help tuberculosis and thus aid in the promotion of public health. Michigan, which has the seventh largest income of any state in the union, ranked sixteenth in the United States in the per capita sale of Christmas seals during 1926.

While the Christmas seal sale last year fell below that of 1925 in that way preventing the entire program of anti-tuberculosis work planned for 1927 from being carried out, it is hoped that enough money will be obtained from the seal sale this year to carry on an especially intensive campaign for the early diagnosis of tuberculosis, as well as continue the preventive work being done against the disease in the state. The state quota is \$250,000 this year.

Although the per capita average for the state as a whole was five cents many counties fell below this town. Washtenaw County with a per capita sale of 10.45 cents ranked first in the state.

The per capita sale in Crawford county was .0209 in 1926.

### ARABIAN NIGHTS TALES

(By E. M. T. Service)

"When you get back to your office," said a Detroit business man to a representative of the East Michigan Tourist Association the other day, "I wish you would express to your officers the fact that Detroit business men are appreciative of the great work you are doing in bringing residents of other states to this section of Michigan."

"I have been intending to write the association to express this appreciation. We business men here in Detroit realize that many residents of other states brought to Michigan through the East Michigan Tourist Association go through the gateway of Detroit."

"We know that many of them stay here for a day or several days of a week and leave hard cash in our town. We know they return home and tell others about our wonderful city."

"We know that when they shove off from Detroit for the sections farther north to spend their vacations they are helping Detroit too. For whatever contributes to the prosperity of any section of the state contributes to the prosperity of Detroit which is the metropolis."

"Detroit and Wayne county are not doing their share financially in the great work you are doing. I don't think I have been doing my share and I want to double my present subscription."

### FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL RESUME

(By William McMahon, President New York Institute of Financial Research, Inc.)

There are more unfavorable features in industry this week than last. Car loadings have shown quite a definite decline and steel operations are at the lowest ebb for the year. There is less promise in the automobile industry than there was a few months or a few weeks ago.

The probabilities are that General Motors Corporation is preparing to bring out a new six cylinder Chevrolet to sell for the same prices as Ford's new model. If this is true, many of the motor manufacturing companies will suffer. Price wars are unhealthy in any given industry.

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### HABITUAL CRIMINALS

Greenville folks have been arguing about the habitual criminal law which provides automatic life sentence for a person convicted of a fourth felony. Particular attention has been called to the new Michigan law by the life sentence of a man when his fourth felony chance to be possession of liquor.

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### Relic of Indian Art

A relief of the old Mathura school of Indian art is in the possession of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. It consists of a thin slab of red sandstone, carved on both sides. It is a pedestal decorated with a repeating ornament of three varieties, the same on each side of the slab, and was probably part of the main or only entrance to a temple which may have been entirely of stone, but more likely of brick except for the doorway.

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Greenville Daily News.

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### Gulf Stream's Width

#### Put at Fifty Miles

The Gulf stream flows out of the Gulf of Mexico between the coast of Florida and the Bahamas, and then northeastwardly along the American coast. Its width, in the narrowest portion, is about fifty miles, and its depth some 2,000 feet. After it has passed between the Bermudas and the coast of Carolina it is divided into several streams, about 100 fathoms deep and altogether 150 miles wide. Its temperature up to this point is several degrees warmer than that of the surrounding ocean.

Beyond the 40th parallel of north latitude and the meridian 60 degrees west, the Gulf stream can no longer be distinguished from the rest of the ocean drift by temperature, motion, color, salinity or otherwise. It has no further separate existence, but is lost in the general drift of warm water from the southwestern Atlantic toward Europe, a general phenomenon having little or nothing to do with the Gulf stream proper.

### Combination More Than Fifty Per Cent Good

In a sketch of John Hay by Charles P. Thwing, president emeritus of Western Reserve University, included in his book, "Guides, Philosophers and Friends," is this Lincoln story told to Doctor Thwing by Hay:

"I know that most of the anecdotes told about Lincoln are apocryphal," said Mr. Hay, "but this one is true, in the campaign which led, as it proved, to his election, I was out with Mr. Lincoln on the 'stump.'

"We had a reception given to us in one of the cities of our campaign. In the line there came up a man who, getting close to Mr. Lincoln, said:

"Mr. Lincoln, down our way, in Buffalo, we kind of think if we can have you and God we can pull the old thing through."

"Getting close, himself, to the man, Mr. Lincoln replied:

"I kind of think you are more than half right!"—Kansas City Star.

### Blessing the Beasts

A quaint ceremony is still observed in some parts of Normandy, the benediction des bestiaux. The oxen and the draft horses are assembled in front of the church. There may also be a bullock or two and perhaps some cows. The procession of peasants, clad in their very best, issues from the church to the sound of a chant that is drawn by the priest.

The venerable cure sprinkles a few drops of water on the heads of the beasts and when all the animals have received the benediction the next feature of the ceremony is to place at the pedestal of the cross facing the church certain bundles tied in coarse linen. These bundles contain bread and salt, which are to be given to those beasts not able to attend the ceremony, says the Washington Star.

### Power of Love

Once when John Ruskin and Thomas Carlyle were discussing the literature of their day, the latter said to his companion: "Can you tell me why it is that works on subjects of vital interest to the race, splendidly written by men of profound scholarship, command scarcely sufficient sale to pay the cost of publishing; while trashy novels, false to history, false to philosophy and false to the facts of human experience, and altogether lacking in literary merit, will sell by scores of thousands?"

After a short pause, Ruskin replied: "There is but one explanation of that fact, but the explanation is all-sufficient; the novel has love in it and the other has not."—Scribner's Magazine.

### Good Idea

Copercope had arrived home tired and hungry, but the beds had not been made and neither was there the faintest sign of any dinner. Presently he surprised his wife reading a novel in the drawing-room.

"Do you mean to say that dinner isn't ready?" he asked, with drowsy calm. "Very well, I'm going back to town to dine at the Criterion."

"Just wait five minutes," replied his wife, throwing aside her book.

"Will it be ready then?" he queried hopefully.

"No," was the cheerful answer; "but I'll come with you."

### Bagpipes in Spain

Specimens of bagpipes are found on old Spanish manuscripts. In the beautiful volume of the "Cantigas de Santa Maria," which was made in the Thirteenth century of King Alfonso the Wise, there are 61 separate figures of musicians. These form an introduction to the canticles. There are three pipers among them with bagpipes. Another Spanish manuscript of the end of the Fifteenth century, illustrated by a Flemish artist for Queen Isabella, shows many musical instruments, among which are bagpipes.

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### Highly Dangerous

With two gay spirits were giving an unusually hair-raising display of acrobatics at a recent flying pageant, and to the lay eye seemed to be trying their best, with the aid of some five hundred or so of horse power, to tear the wings off their frail steeds of sticks and canvas, a solemn voice came through a loudspeaker:

"Would spectators be good enough to refrain from the highly dangerous practice of standing on their seats?"

### Liberia

The republic of Liberia has a population of about 2,000,000, all negroes, of whom nearly 20,000 are Afro-Americans. The civilized inhabitants number about 50,000, live near the coast and speak the English language.

Japanese farmers have started an insurrection, according to cable dispatches. Wonder if they blame their condition on to the Ford-Hay-McC



## Santa Awaits Your Order for Christmas Meats

When you call 2, you will find Santa Claus waiting to fill your order for Christmas fowl and meats.

**Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Chickens, and a supply of choice meats.**

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MEAT MARKET

### Inside Information

Children over three years old should have garments with a front opening to make self-dressing easier. Buttons should be fairly large in size and buttonholes should be firm. It is a good plan to reinforce bands where the buttonholes are to be worked. The buttons should be sewed on firmly and should have a long shank.

Baked bananas are a good mid-winter dessert. Skin six bananas, scrape them lightly to remove any stringy portion, and split in half lengthwise. Place in a buttered shallow baking dish, and pour over them a sauce made of 1-2 cup of sugar, 2 tablespoons melted butter, 2 tablespoons lemon juice, 1-8 teaspoon salt. Bake in a hot oven until brown.

The first step toward remodeling an old kitchen is to think out a plan that considers the work to be done, how space equipment can be efficiently arranged, and the relation of this room to the rest of the house. Careful planning will sometimes show that good results can be accomplished by regrouping equipment, providing two sets of some of the smaller pieces, and refinishing the floor and painting the walls a lighter color.

Some silks and wools are spotted by water which dissolves a part of the weighting or finishing substance and leaves a ring. Sometimes these rings can be removed by scratching with the finger nail or rubbing with a stiff brush. Another method is to dampen the entire surface of the material by sponging with clean water or by shaking in steam from a briskly boiling teakettle, and then pressing while still damp. Still another method is to dip the entire garment in carbon tetrachloride, gasoline, or other solvent. Gasoline, however, should be used with caution because of the fire risk.



Miss Sadie Dyson of Honolulu, several times winner of the vote for city's most beautiful and popular girl, photographed as she arrived at Los Angeles for an extended tour of the United States.

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### WORKING UNDER DIFFICULTIES

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK  
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

"YOU'LL have to go to bed and be flat on your back for some time," the doctor said to me. I knew his reputation and that he was no doubt right. There would be no argument. I had a tremendous lot of work that should be done—writing most of it. I had no temperature; I was not really sick; what little brain I have was working in as active and normal a way as it had ever done. It was only that an accident had made it necessary to spread me out and hang weights on my left arm to pull it back into a position which it refused to assume. I write with my right hand; even lying on my back my knee can be flexed and a pad of paper balanced upon it. I would write even if I were on my back!

The process was slow and wearisome. I had to rest at short intervals, but it was amazing how much I could get done in a day, strained though the position was. And the work made the time pass more quickly. I was more cheerful from having something to do; my back ached less because I had less time to give to pondering over my aches. Difficult as it was, I came to enjoy it; and the work got done.

A friend of mine, because of a peculiar accident was forced for a month to be face downward on her bed. She could look over the edge of the bed which was low and near the floor, and she devised all sorts of things to occupy her time—some of them useful work, others play—and so, while doing something worthwhile, kept herself cheerful and happy. It was not an easy condition under which to work, but she was resourceful and energetic.

I have just been told of two men lying in a hospital, neither permitted to move his body, but free to do what he wished with his hands. One was a stock broker who had a long-distance telephone installed and did business regularly during business hours. He admitted that he got on more successfully than when he was in his office in the city because, lying prone in bed, he was not interrupted, not disturbed. He gave his letters to his stenographer early in the morning and then had all his time to himself.

The second man was writer. He had a typewriting machine suspended above the bed in such a way as permitted him to move it up and down to admit the sheet of paper on which he was writing, and in such a position as to make it possible, lying as he was, to operate it. He worked along all day, forgetting that he was invalided, that at times he suffered pain, and got his regular work done almost as well as if it were possible for him to be on his feet. He was the sort that wouldn't let difficulties keep him from work.

Whether a man works or not often depends upon the difficulties which he is willing to overcome.  
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### DIPPING INTO SCIENCE

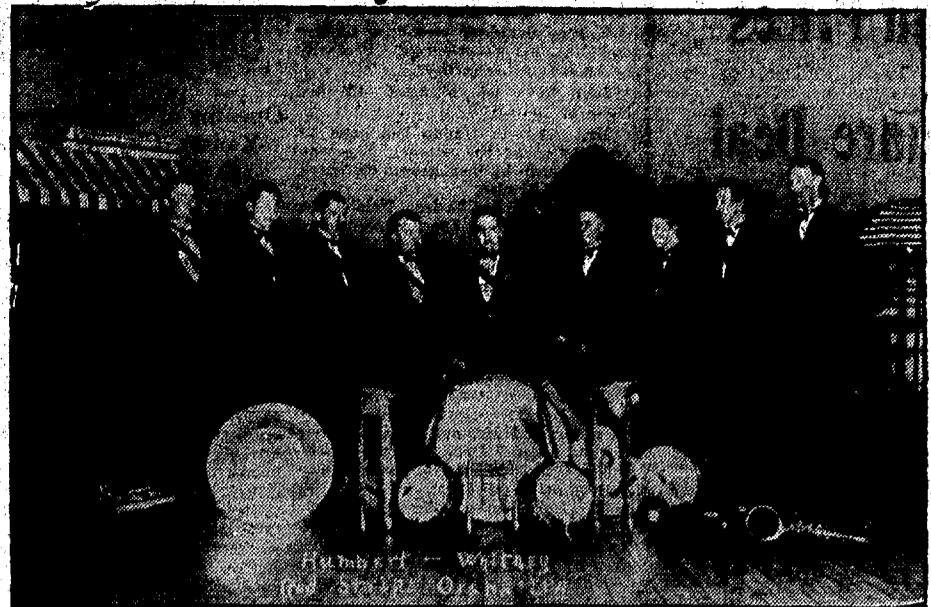
#### Early Sleep Producers

Not until the Nineteenth century were men able to find a drug that would produce anesthesia. Until that time operations were performed only in case of life or death. Dr. James Simpson, a Scotch physician discovered the value of chloroform as an anesthetic by experimenting on himself, and Dr. Crawford Long of Georgia was the first to use ether.

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## TO PLAY FOR ANNUAL CHARITY BALL, DEC. 29



THE HUMBERT—WHITNEY RED STRIPE ORCHESTRA.

This is the orchestra that will furnish the music for the annual Charity Ball, to be given at the High School Gymnasium, Thursday, December 29th.

### Home Again at Christmas

by W.O. Pennypacker

"Most of us," remarked one of the travelers, after he was comfortably settled and the train was well out from the yard limits, "still have strong ties in the old East."

"It is true, indeed," replied the man sitting beside him. "I love the West. I admire its freshness and bigness, its grain fields, its many diversified interests, and the fact that its possibilities for further development are still apparently limitless. I, too, am bound for the old fireplace in the city of my birth, but I can never expect the old metropolis to appeal to me as it once did. There are too many high walls, too narrow streets

and too little opportunity for growth such as we know on the prairie lands, to appeal to me. And the people are not as frank and friendly as they ought to be."

The other acquiesced.

Most persons who have lived in the West any length of time feel this way.

The men were not patrons of the pulpit though both were well-dressed and appeared reasonably prosperous.

"I wouldn't miss the opportunity of riding in a day coach at this time of the year and studying my fellow passengers!" ventured the first speaker.

Most every seat was occupied, and there were a number of babes and children among the passengers.

Two seats before them sat an attractive young mother with a babe just able to walk. In spite of its zig-zag journey and the lurching of the train as it negotiated numerous curves, the youngster persisted in walking up and down the aisle, attracting a great deal of attention and getting in the way of brakemen and passengers who had to pass to and fro. Across the aisle was a child of about three, quite amiable, but swinging in his small hands a half-eaten banana with its golden envelope dangling about it, to the evident annoyance of an elderly semi-invalid and her dignified daughter who sat nearby.

But the holiday season was approaching and no one was "crabby" enough to complain. Old maids and confirmed bachelors, if there were any in the car, either enjoyed the baby or kept their thoughts to themselves.

Passengers moved about frequently, as is quite common on a long journey, and some of the more restless ones, it is safe to say, occupied nearly every seat in the car before they reached their journey's end.

Near the front of the car sat a woman whose only child was a song

bird.

It was that that made Christmas!  
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canary, and who divided her time about equally between coaxing the bird to "sing for mother, pretty," asking the Negro brakeman questions, climbing up to get something from her suit case, or changing about from seat to seat.

It was merely the restlessness of the usual traveler, but the two men were interested.

Between their eager observance of this restlessness and their notation of the almost limitless amount of fruit, ice cream cones and confections consumed, they wondered what would come next.

But candy, and restlessness and travel have little noticeable effect. At last the train was drawing into its eastern terminal. As it crawled past a multitude of switches everyone was expectant. There was the usual climbing or reaching for hand luggage in the upper racks, the assembling of hats and outer garments, and a general effort to be ready to leave the train quickly.

The wheels stopped.

Brakemen announced "All out!"

In less than a minute there was a mad rush through the waiting room and towards the taxi stand.

"Hello, there, I've been looking for you," cried a man in a friendly voice, as he held his hand on the stranger's shoulder and inquired:

"You just came in from the West on that 5:15 train, did you not?"

"I did," he replied with a degree of wonderment.

"You left this envelope in your seat. It looks important. I wonder how I would find you."

"Gosh! It is important! There could be no Christmas for the kids without it. I don't know how it got out of my hand bag—probably when I removed my time table to study it. Well, you're a friend of mine and the kiddies, I am sure."

"I heard you remark that easterners were not friendly," said the new arrival composedly. "I'm a New York City man, just come in from a short business trip. What's your name?"

"The two men withdrew to the corner and exchanged cards.

"Come out with me," said the new-

comer, friend to the westerner-by-adoption. "My car will be waiting just around the corner and I can take you part way to your destination."

The offer was accepted. The men became warm friends.

But the envelope? you ask. What of the finding of that big white envelope?

It was that that made Christmas!  
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### Origin of Christmas Trees

The modern Christmas tree can be traced back to the Sixteenth century. It originated on the banks of the Rhine. Sixty years later the fir tree was used to carry gifts in celebration of Christmas all over the civilized world.



When William C. Horverter, cigar maker and Socialist, was elected city treasurer of Reading, Pa., he decided not to accept all the salary allowed him and fixed his wage at \$6,000 a year. Horverter declares he wants only enough money to keep himself and family, and that \$6,000 is plenty. There are five Socialists in office in Reading now, the others being the mayor, two councilmen and the controller.

Is your boy in his "teens" always hungry? Scientists say it is quite normal for him to crave more food, perhaps, than any one else in the family. Because of his great activity he requires almost as much energy food as a grown man doing very heavy, active work. Also because a boy is growing very rapidly, he needs almost one and a half times as much food that supplies him with protein and minerals, as a fully grown man. Give him plenty of milk, eggs, fresh fruits and vegetables, in addition to the energy foods that are usually present in his diet, such as bread and butter, cereals, and potatoes.

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### The Yuletide Cheer

By FRED W. PEARSON  
In Washington Post

*IN THE providence of Nature  
There's a consonance of good,  
Permeating and etching  
All the cosmic brotherhood.  
Though the waves of deep depression  
May engulf our struggling forms,  
Like the gleaming of our dreams;  
Are the heights above the storms;  
And one peak that glistens clearly  
Like an iridescent cone,  
Is the Yuletide Cheer, which yearly  
Brings delight to every one.*

*High above the range of Virtues  
Is this crowning pinnacle,  
And its luring and enduring  
Message freely comes to all.  
Shops and homes are decorated;  
Hearts are throbbing merrily;  
And each glowing face is shouting  
Just how sweet is charity;  
For the season of Good Feeling,  
Dawning as the old year dies,  
Turns to gladness all our sadness,  
And to friends our enemies.*

*Some, perhaps, are thinking darkly  
Of their lack of means to give;  
They are lonely, and can only  
By the utmost efforts live;  
So, with fainting hearts, and tearful,  
Their self-pity grows extreme,  
When a ringing voice and cheerful,  
Sounds this axiom supreme:  
In the providence of Nature  
There's a service all may find,  
And the measure of its treasure  
Is the art of being kind.*

my's writing." Grandma's dim eyes twinkled wisely.

Jimmy blushed. Dad, blinking, put a proud arm around him and squeezed him tight.

Grandma was holding up twelve crackling bills and saying: "So sweet of Jimmy, and the best part was I didn't need to use it after all. Old Eph Saxon showed up after all these years and paid me the hundred dollars your poor grandpa loaned him. Aren't we lucky! All here together. Won't it just be the merriest Christmas ever!"

What was that? Such a racket! In dashed the papa-ma-clad "twin sixes," their little faces shining with ecstasy.

"Oh, it's Gran'ma! Gran'ma! Oh! Oh! Gran'ma! is Christmas come?"

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Lacoste Puts Up Racket



Jean Rene Lacoste, tennis champion of France and the United States, conqueror of William T. Tilden, has abandoned the courts until next May, and is devoting his entire time to the motor business, automobile and airplane.

### Cuts His Own Salary



Take notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice upon payment to the undersigned or to the Register in Chancery of the County in which the land lies, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per cent additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each description, without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of Land:  
STATE OF MICHIGAN,  
County of Crawford.

The Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of the Sec. 33, Town 25N, Range 3W. Amount paid \$7,66, tax for year 1923.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$20.32 plus the fees of the Sheriff.

Marius Hanson assignee of W. H. Williams, place of business, Grayling, Michigan.

To Michigan Central Railroad Company assignee of Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Railroad Company, last grantee in the regular chain title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County.

Myrtle E. Hellen; Rev. D. N. Anderson, grantees under State Tax Homestead deeds, appearing of record in said register of deeds. 12-15-4

There are always so many things a man needs for his car, that you are sure to find a warm welcome awaiting any gift you may choose to buy here.

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Windshield Wipers—  
Electric and Automatic  
Air Gauges**

**Wrench Sets  
Spare Tire Chains and Locks, Ash Trays  
Cigar Lighter  
Eveready Flash Lights  
Spark Plugs  
Car Heaters**

**Alfred Hanson Service Station**

Phone No. 1514

## A Few Bargain Prices

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### La Brash's Square Deal

Canvas Gloves per pair	10c and 15c
Jersey's per pair	20c
Men's Cotton Work Sox	15c
Men's Wool Mixed Sox	25c
Children's Stockings	25c
Bath Towels	30c
Men's Winter Caps	50c
Ladies' Rubbers	50c
Men's Flannel Work Shirts	\$1.00
Children's Shoes, sizes 4½ to 8	\$1.25
" " 8½ to 12	\$1.50
Ladies' Shoes	\$1.50
Men's Heavy Wool Mixed Union Suits	\$1.65
Men's Work Pants	\$2.00

Shop on corner Ogemaw and Cedar across from Schoonover's Garage.

### LOVELLS NEWS

The Xmas tree cutters have returned to their homes. A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Nephew. She will be known as Lorna Deer.

John Rowe has returned to his home at Detroit.

Mrs. Augusta Harms has gone to Ohio to spend the winter. She was accompanied by her grand daughter Marie McCormick.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Feldhauser are care takers at the Squire cabin.

Mr. Roy Small and son Don of Mio and Ben Bertson of Detroit spent a few days with the former's daughter, Mrs. Francis Nephew.

Roscoe, Carl and Lewis Bugbee have returned to their home at the Lake.

Don McCormick is cooking at Feldhauser's camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kennedy of Alpena and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stillwagon and Orlie Hainer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Hustad at Russell Lake.

Ray Duby was a caller at Mio Sunday.

Charles Papenfus and John Kelley were callers in Grayling Sunday.

Muri Burpee was in Lovells for a few days.

George Burpee of Grayling was in Lovells Sunday.

Bill Henderson and Jack Schouck of Mio were Lovells callers last week.

John Haric is at Feldhauser's camp employed as walking boss.

### NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

#### Opening of New Congress Kansas City Wins the G. O. P. Convention.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

PROMISED for lively fights on various

lines, the Seventieth congress began its first session on Monday. The houses immediately re-elected Nicholas Longworth, but organization of the senate and committee assignments in both

houses was delayed. With the opening

of the Senate on Tuesday came the

first gun in the battle over the seating

of Frank J. Smith and W. S. Vare,

senators-elect from Illinois and Pennsylvania respectively.

Norris of Nebraska led off with a resolution sum-

marily refusing the two membership

in the Senate. Counter resolutions by

their friends, that they be allowed to

take the oath of office and that the

charges of corrupt election practices

be referred to the committee on privi-

leges and elections, were offered. On

Wednesday Senator Borah had his say

in support of the latter resolutions

and the Senate, by a vote of 53 to 28,

decided that Smith could not take the

oath. Later the same action was

taken in the case of Vare. Both cases

were referred to the Reed committee

on campaign expenditures.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S message, read to congress Tuesday, was a straightforward, business-like document, setting forth the needs of the country as he saw them and advising as to the future. He did not withdraw a step in his attitude on controversial questions and consequently the message in its entirety was pleasing only to his thick and thin supporters. The programs he recommended for the nation may be summarized thus: Farm relief—creation of a federal farm board to administer a revolving fund to aid co-operatives. Flood control—Construction of dikes, spillways and aids to navigation in the lower Mississippi. Taxaton—Moderate reduction as recommended by Secretary Mellon. Merchant marine—stop further building and turn ships over to private ownership. Inland navigation—Protection of the Gulf-to-the-Atlantic waterway through the St. Lawrence-Panama canal—Construction of \$12,000,000 dam at Alahuelia for flood protection. National defense—An army large enough for protection of the nation with generous supply of officers; more cruisers, airplane carriers and submarines for the navy but no participation in a navy building race. The President also urged strict enforcement of prohibition and again asked that the Chief Executive be given authority to act during coal strikes. In the matter of foreign relations he recommended understandings with other nations toward outlawing war and negotiations of covenants not out of harmony with the Constitution.

The President's farm relief proposal did not at all suit the corn belt men; his recommendations as to taxes was at variance with the ideas of the ways and means committee, which on the same day introduced its bill calling for a tax reduction of \$232,735,000, much greater than was favored by Secretary Mellon; the limitation of flood control work to the lower Mississippi was contrary to the views of a great many who advocate a much more comprehensive policy; the "big navy" men were not satisfied with his program for fighting ships, and both parties are split on his merchant marine policy.

SECRETARY MELLON in his annual report says that notwithstanding a decline in business activity, underlying conditions are sound. "Business activity began in the spring months of this year to fall below the totals of last year," says the report.

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is now being conducted on a basis that conforms more nearly to the normal expectancy, as judged from the regular rate of growth of the country.

While business is not as active as in most of 1926, it can hardly be said to be subnormal, and the underlying

fundamentals appear to be sound.

"Another indication of healthy busi-

ness conditions is the recent recovery in commodity prices, due in the main to the rise in agricultural prices. The

growing stability of prices in Europe, moreover, is favorable to our export commodities."

WEDNESDAY President Coolidge submitted his annual budget message, and again warned congress that taxes should not be reduced by more than \$225,000,000. The budget he offered for the fiscal year 1929 calls for total expenditures, exclusive of those of the postal service, amounting to \$3,556,857,081. This is about \$84,000,000 less than the estimated expenditures of the current fiscal year of 1928, but represents an increase of about \$63,000,000 over actual disbursements of the fiscal year 1927.

On the basis of estimated receipts, for the fiscal year 1929 of \$3,809,497,

\$14, President Coolidge predicts a sur- plus of \$262,540,283, assuming no change in the present revenue laws.

He estimates the surplus for the cur- rent fiscal year at \$454,283,808, this figure representing the difference be- tween estimated receipts of \$4,075,598,001 and expenditures amounting to \$3,621,814,285.

The President allows approximately \$645,000,000 for the purely defense needs of the nation during the year ending June 30, 1929, an increase of approximately \$20,000,000 over the sum made available for defense last year. According to the President's figures, navy estimates for the next fiscal year are \$362,167,020, an increase of \$14,290,048 over this year. For the army the budget estimates provide \$291,331,833. The navy total, however, contains approximately \$9,000,000 for retired pay for officers and enlisted men, an item not included in the army total.

WHEN the Republican national com- mittee got together—with two new anti-La Follette members surprisingly elected in Wisconsin—it first called on the President in the White House, and Mr. Coolidge made quite long ad- dress in which he quite definitely removed himself from consideration for the nomination in 1928. His words were:

"This is naturally the time to be planning for the future. The party will soon place in nomination its can- didate to succeed me. To give time for mature deliberation I stated to the country on August 2 that I do not choose to run for President in 1928. My statement stands. No one should be led to suppose that I have modified it. My decision will be respected. After I had been eliminated the party began and should vigorously continue the serious task of selecting another candidate from among the numbers of

distinguished men available."

The discussion then took up the question of the new seat-of-city, hearing the offers of the several contestants. Chairman Butler aroused a good deal of animosity by declaring his preferences for Kansas City, and a hot fight between that city and San Francisco resulted. On the Kansas side Tom Kansas City won, and the committee at once issued a call for the convention to meet there on June 12. Mr. Coolidge's "elimination" of himself was followed by a statement by Charles Evans Hughes that he was not to be considered a candidate, and though Senator Willis announced that he was willing to accept the honor, there were left but three major contenders for the nomination—Frank O. Lowden, Herbert Hoover and Vice President Dawes. The selection of Kansas City was regarded as rather favorable to Lowden and Dawes.

Under the terms of the call for the convention the basis of representation will be the same as in 1924. There will be one delegate for each congressional district and one additional delegate for each district polling 10,000 or more votes for the Republican candidate for President in 1924 or Republican candidate for congress in 1926. Then there will be four delegates at large for each state and three additional delegates for each state carried by the Republican ticket in 1924. There will be 1,089 delegates in the convention, compared with 1,109 in 1924. Kentucky and Texas gain three each, while Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Wisconsin lose three each, Tennessee eight; Georgia, North Carolina, and Virginia two each, and Alabama, Louisiana, and New York one each.

WARNING was issued to the Republican and Democratic parties by the Anti-Saloon league at its meeting in Washington, that the league membership will support only those candidates in state and national elections whose utterances, acts and records prove them to be loyal supporters of the Volstead act. To win the support of the organization the parties must nominate men whose loyalty to the dry act cannot be questioned.

After a bitter fight between the sup-

porters of F. Scott McBride, national superintendant of the Anti-Saloon league, and Ernest H. Cherrington, general manager of the league's pub-

lishing activities, over the question of

whether force or persuasion should be

the major weapon used in the future

by the league in its fight against re-

peal of the Eighteenth amendment.

McBride was re-elected and Cherrington was made director of a new de-

partment of education, publicity and

research. E. S. Shumaker, Indiana

superintendent who is under indictment for contempt of the Indiana Su-

preme court, was dropped from the

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C. MARTINDALE, master

in chancery of Indianapolis, filed in

the United States District court, a re-

port in which the Standard Oil Com-

pany of Indiana and fifty other oil

concerns are held not guilty of violat-

ing the Sherman anti-trust law by a

monopoly of trade. Martindale holds

that there is no evidence of an exist-

ing conspiracy in restraint of trade,

maintenance of a monopoly, price fix-

ing or pooling of patent rights. Dis-

missal for lack of equity of the suit in-

stituted by the government three

years ago was recommended.

LITHUANIA and Poland presented

their complaints against each

other to the council of the League of

Nations in Geneva and asked for re-

lief. Premier Waldemar appeared

for Lithuania first before represen-

tatives of Great Britain, France, Ger-

many, Italy and Japan, and refused

to budge from his position. He said

he was ready to give the council every

guarantee of Lithuania's pacific inten-

tions and his willingness to set up a

neutral zone between Lithuania and

Poland, but he could not go into the

question of immediately restoring dip-

lomatic relations with Poland or allow-